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Docket No.: 81762/210

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants	:	Craig H. Baker, Clyde T. Carter, Alexander S. Fater, Urs F. Nager, Christopher Palagi, Christine M. Svelnis, and Mark A. Wojcicki)	Examiner:	Unknown
)	Art Unit:	2833
Serial No.	:	09/374,681)		
Cnfrm. No.	:	To Be Assigned)		
Filed	:	August 16, 1999)		
For	:	LOW INSERTION FORCE ELECTRICAL SOCKET CONTACT)		

**PETITION TO REVIVE UNINTENTIONALLY ABANDONED
APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.137(b)**

Attention: Office of Petitions
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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.137(b), Applicants hereby petition to revive the above-identified application. The entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the required reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional.

The above-identified patent application was filed on August 16, 1999 on behalf of the Applicants by Richard J. Birch (Declaration of Mark A. Wojcicki, ¶2). At that time, Richard J. Birch was the patent attorney representing Applicants' employer, Anderson Interconnect, Inc. (Declaration of Mark A. Wojcicki, ¶3). The above-identified patent application was filed without an Oath or Declaration and without a filing fee. A Notice To File Missing Parts Of Application for the above-identified patent application was mailed by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office ("Office") on September 2, 1999 requesting the Oath or Declaration and the filing fee. A reply to the Notice To File Missing Parts Of Application was never received by the Office, so a Notice of Abandonment for the above-identified patent application was mailed by the Office on August 30, 2000.

In the Spring of 2002, Nixon Peabody LLP was requested to represent Applicants' employer, Anderson Power Products (Declaration of Gunnar G. Leinberg, ¶2). Anderson

Power Products' patent files, including the above-identified patent application, were transferred to Nixon Peabody LLP from Richard J. Birch, Applicant's former patent attorney (Declaration of Gunnar G. Leinberg, ¶3). At a meeting in May of 2002 to discuss the status of intellectual property law matters, Applicants first became aware that the above-identified patent application had become abandoned (Declaration of Mark A. Wojcicki, ¶6). Until that time, Applicants believed the above-identified patent application was still pending before the Office (Declaration of Mark A. Wojcicki, ¶7). Applicants did not know that a Notice To File Missing Parts Of Application or a Notice of Abandonment for the above-identified patent application had been mailed by the Office (Declaration of Mark A. Wojcicki, ¶8). Shortly thereafter, I requested that a petition be filed to revive the above-identified patent application be prepared and filed (Declaration of Mark A. Wojcicki, ¶9).

Beginning in June of 2002, Applicant's attorney, Gunnar G. Leinberg, began to gather the necessary information to respond to the outstanding Notice To File Missing Parts Of Application. (Declaration of Gunnar G. Leinberg, ¶6). Additionally, Applicant's attorney, Gunnar G. Leinberg, located and contacted applicant's former attorney, Richard J. Birch, to inquire about the underlying facts and circumstances regarding the abandonment of the above-identified patent application (Declaration of Gunnar G. Leinberg, ¶7). In response to our inquiry, in early August of 2002 Applicant's former attorney, Richard J. Birch, stated that there was no express abandonment of the above-identified patent application nor did he receive any instructions from his former client to abandon the above-identified patent application (Declaration of Gunnar G. Leinberg, ¶8). Accordingly, in view of this unintentional abandonment, Applicants respectfully request the Office to revive the above-identified patent application.

Enclosed herewith is a check for \$640.00 to cover the petition fee pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.17(m). Please charge any additional necessary fees or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 14-1138. Should any further questions arise concerning the above-identified patent application, the Office is invited to call Applicants' attorney at the number listed below.

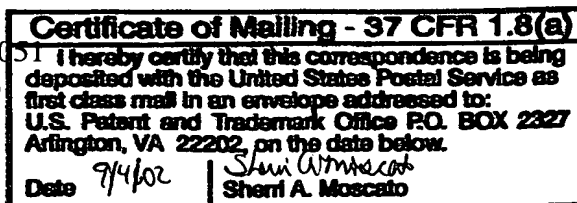
Respectfully submitted,

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